Electrical Engineer Thesis Proposal Approval Form

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A. Curriculum no. ☐ 590, ☐ 591, ☐ 525 ☐ 533, ☐(other, specify)_____	B. Degree:	C. Date of graduation:	

D. Tentative Thesis Title:

E. Thesis Advisor:

F. Thesis Co-advisor:	Thesis Second Reader:

G. Anticipated Funding Requirements (If any):	Funding Provided by:

H. Anticipated Classification Level:

I. Plagiarism/Cheating	J. Thesis Extensions: (please, read)
➢ The student needs to be aware of the fact that the thesis represents the work of the author alone. It is the student responsibility to insure that material taken from other sources is acknowledged appropriately. ➢ Specific details regarding such acknowledgements may be found in the ECE OnLine student handbook at: **www.nps.navy.mil/ece/eceHandbook/ common/cheating.pdf** ➢ By turning in this thesis approval form, the student acknowledges having read, understood and agreed to follow the guidelines specified in the above online document.	➢ A Student who detaches from NPS before completing his/her thesis for the master's degree will be granted an extension of one year upon filling out the thesis extension request form. ➢ A student may apply for up to two additional one-year thesis extensions. Requests for these extensions should include a progress report, endorsement from the thesis advisor and any other relevant information. Students are reminded that requests for 3rd thesis extension will be granted only if the student has made SIGNIFICANT progress towards completion of the thesis, as certified by their thesis advisor. ➢ **The student bears full responsibility for maintaining the viability of his/her candidacy.** If a student's extension expires, his candidacy has lapsed and the degree cannot be awarded at any time in the future. ➢ **Students must complete their thesis requirements within 3 years of the date of detachment from the School**

Please answer items `K' through `P' (shown next page) on separate sheets.

Advisory committee (print names)		Signature	Date
Supervisor:			
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K. Research Questions

Identify the primary research question and subsidiary research questions. The primary research questions should be broad enough that it covers the entire spectrum of the research activity. Subsidiary research questions subdivide the primary research question into manageable research segments. This should be a very explicit statement of the questions the research will seek to answer. While the questions may be redefined later as the research progresses, the initial objective should be made very specific.

L. Discussion of Topic

Describe the main thrust of the study, what areas will be specifically investigated and what areas will be excluded; put boundaries around the study; identify what the study will be (e.g., a computer simulation, an experiment, an electronic design and implementation, a system study); discuss any limitations of the study.

M. Tentative Chapter Outline

Identify tentative chapter headings and provide brief discussion of chapter content. (Note: This can change)

N. Benefit of Study

State of the contribution expected from your research efforts, what individuals/ organizations will use the results of your thesis and what problems/issues you feel will be addressed/resolved.

O. Preliminary Bibliography

Provide a listing of representative materials consulted during preliminary literature search. This should include references to the problem or issue to be studied, prior thesis work, literature references, or other sources of information. The final bibliography will probably be much more extensive.

P. Milestones

This is a tentative list of target dates for completion of the successive stages of the project. You will not be held strictly to this schedule; it is a means of conveying to others when you expect to complete major milestones of the study. Give the dates during which of the following activities will be accomplished:

1. Literature Review
2. Construct Research Approach
3. Conduct Research/Travel
4. Analyze Data
5. Draft Thesis
6. Final Thesis Submission/Signature